

**House File 608 - Introduced**

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(COMPANION TO SF 301 BY SINCLAIR)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to county hospital operation of a child care  
2 facility.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 347.14, Code 2025, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 7A. Operate a child care facility  
4 established under section 347.27 in conjunction with the  
5 hospital. The board of trustees may contract with a person  
6 licensed to operate a child care facility under chapter 237A to  
7 operate the hospital's child care facility.

8 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. **347.27 County hospital child care**  
9 **facility.**

10 A county hospital may establish a child care facility as  
11 defined in section 237A.1. The operation, maintenance, and  
12 improvement of a child care facility established by a county  
13 hospital shall comply with the requirements of chapter 237A.

14 EXPLANATION

15 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
16 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

17 This bill permits a county hospital (hospital) to establish a  
18 child care facility (facility). A hospital's board of trustees  
19 may operate the facility, or the board of trustees may contract  
20 with a person licensed to operate a facility to operate the  
21 hospital's facility. The operation, maintenance, and improvement  
22 of a hospital's facility must comply with the requirements of  
23 Code chapter 237A (child care facilities).